Travel Screening for Ebola virus disease (EVD)

CDC and DHEC are monitoring people who may have had risk of exposure to ebolavirus resulting from travel to areas currently experiencing an outbreak.

Given the early non-specific symptoms of EVD, a travel history should be taken for all patients who present with a febrile illness. EVD should be included in the differential diagnosis in patients with travel in the past 21 days to areas currently experiencing an outbreak.

Important Travel History Components to review:

- Ask about travel to affected areas within last 21 days. The QR code at the bottom right links to the Current CDC Travel Advisory.
- For patients with a travel history to an affected area, determine if they were in close contact with a suspected or confirmed case of EVD or otherwise ill persons, or attended burial services.
- Ask if they were in contact with wild or domestic animals.

Early diagnosis is key

- For travelers with signs or symptoms of illness, early consideration of EVD is important for providing appropriate and prompt patient care and measures to prevent the spread of infection.
- Possible EVD symptoms include but are not limited to:
 - fever, severe headache, muscle pain, weakness, abdominal pain, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, unexplained bleeding or bruising, sore throat, or loss of appetite.

Patients suspected to have EVD based on risk factors and clinical presentation should be immediately reported by phone to your regional public health office. See the table below for contact information.

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